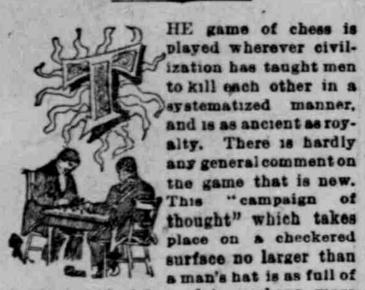
THE ROYAL GAME OF CHESS

It Has Many Devotees Among Indianapolis Business and Professional Men.

How the Players of the City and State Were First Organized-Some Well-Known Local Experts Talked Of.



life, and is, perhaps, more thoroughly studied. If the battle for existence were as deliberately and cautiously planned as is that of a chess game, many a county poor-farmkeeper would be deprived of his dividends. There is no game wherein a man's generalship is so smartly tested as when he site behind his silent forces and urges his knights, castles, kings and queens, in dumb array, to the conflict on the checkered board. "That was a very bad move," says the white-headed spectator, who has shoved these little wooden people through to many a victory, and becomes disinterestedly impatient. So might Napoleon Bonaparte have said, when seated, specterlike, in the confederate camp and watched the planning of the Gettysburg campaign. If there are so many doubtful changes in a conflict where thirty-two soldiers are engaged, how many more changes and possible vicissitudes there must be in a battle when two hundred thousand men are fighting, and the brain behind whose ingennity and military brilliancy can instigate the right moves at the proper times to win, must be the possessor of such a genius as never yet failed to win laurels in a national chess conflict. There comes a doubt, how-ever, as to whether the two incidents of generalship in question are parallel or not. When everything is considered, many are of the opinion that the victorious chess-player is fuller of resources than the vic-tor of thrice ten thousand battles! Almost every piece on the board is equal in force, if properly directed, to an army itself, or, at least, a formidable division, and often it is that one man and often it is that one man guards the gateway of every escape, and sheckmates the king! The game of chess has taken to itself a number of followers in this city. No State in the Union has kept up an organization so long, and no city of equal size has ever captured so many honors in contests as has Indianap-

To W. H. Ripley belongs the credit for having first advanced the idea of organizing the players of this city and State. Mr. having first advanced the idea of organizing the players of this city and State. Mr. Ripley played chess first when at college, and in 1882, after he had finished his law digest, played for four years as a means of keeping awake at nights while attending the bedside of his sick wife. It was during these long hours that he studied the game, read all works bearing on it, and at last arrived at the proficiency of an expert. Among those who played chess in this city at that time were Joseph Long. Dr. Hurty, Charles Watson, Ewald Over, Otto Stechhan, Dr. Bedford, Dr. Avery, Thomas Walton, W. H. Blair, Charles P. Thompson, Judge James G. Heller and others. Judge Heller was noted for his brilliancy and stratagem, and although his game was not always sound, his eccentric dashes made him exceedingly entertaining. These gentlemen organized a chess club in Dr. Hurty's drug store in 1884, called the Indianapolis Chess Club. Rooms were occupied by it for four years in the Thorpe Block. At the first tournament the result was Ripley first, Watson and Heller second. Some time after the club accepted a challenge from the Jefferson Chess Club, of New York city, and beat them. The Louisville club was next encountered and defeated, then Fort Wayne was defeated. Later on a and beat them. The Louisville club was next encountered and defeated, then Fort Wayne was defeated. Later on a chess-player from the South, visiting triends in Franklin. Ind., challenged the club, and a tournament followed that was never concluded, owing to the departure of the Southern gentleman. The position was favorable to the Indianapolis club when the play was broken. It was thought that the inclement position occupied by the Southern visitor had something to do with his going! A State organization was formed, and annual tournments followed, in which Mr. Ripley was generally the victor from this city until a rule was adopted barring him out to give others a chance for State honors.

Then came W. H. Wilhelm, W. H. Blair and Presley Guymon to the front, as well as Dr. Jenckes, Rev. D. R. Lucas and Jesse Warrington. Dr. Hurty and Dr. Wells dropped out as did many of the old players. After being in the Thorpe Block for three years, English Hotel offered inducements for the club to go there, where it remained two years; then it changed its quarters to the Central Block and from there went to the Y. M. C. A., where it still remains.

There is a new star in the Indianapolis Chess Tournament. His name is Austin and his age is nineteen years. He is considered a genius by the local talent and will take Mr. Ripley's place for national honors, no doubt. The younger players are coming to be the more successful, because they enter with more spirit, enthusiasm and determination, are younger, fuller of fire, and will not be beaten. J. W. Furnas is at present president of the club, and W. H. Blair treasurer. Of late years no one from this city has won the State championship except Mr. Ripley. Mr. Blair no longer throws his soul into it as of yore, and many of the older players have either droppe out of the game or have died. In the city every day, between 3 and 6 o'clock in the afternoon, the members of the club are in the habit of playing. This is kept up the year round, and when the State contest takes place they do not enter it with the same zeal as do those from other parts of the State. The standard of excellence is nevertheless kept up in this city among players. A prominent chess-player from abroad said yesterday that out of three hundred chessplayers with whom he had battled the character of the playing was not equal to that of ten or twelve of this city. Next to Mr. Ripley, Mr. Tompkins, of the Carlon-Hollenbeck office, is considered the best player in the city. The Indianapolis club has never in the nine years of its existence been sued for debt, nor has it ever violated its obligations. No club in the United States, outside of New York city, limited to chess, has had so long an existence.

The game is, and should be, promoted be-



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varies, it does the most work, the best work

and is perfectly wholesome, as it contains

cause it is recreating and is distinct from any form of gambling. The club in this city has never associated itself with drink or any other kind of dissipation. It has been clean and has proven to be a healthy entertainment. The chess club here has never occupied rooms near saloons, nor has it ever had any connection with boisterous elements. Many a young man has spent days and nights over the checkered board that might otherwise have led him where vice flourishes. Numbers of men have the gaming instincts in their nature, so strongly impressed that it will out, no matter what environments seek to contain them, and these men are especially indebted to the game of chess which permits them to enjoy all the excitement and pleasure of a game without the money supplement. There are a great many games that would fall flat and monotonous were not a money considera-tion attending them. Whether or not there is money upon a game of chess, the interest and entertainment are the same. As a mental game it knows no superior and as an arena where the mind can be trained to its proper application there can be none better. The social feature enters largely into this and but few other games. The rivalry and competition are always friendly. Money never enters, and no friendship was probably ever broken over a game of chess. For elderly gentlemen, who love to be together on rainy afternoons, this game is a godsend, and its ablest defenders are, doubtless, to be found among them.

TYING AND UNTYING.

The Merry Grind of Marriage and Divorce

Goes on at the Court-House. An unusual number of marriage licenses and the regular Saturday's grist of divorces about constituted the work at the courthouse yesterday. In Judge Bartholomew's court Francis M. Cooper sued for divorce from America B. Cooper, but the latter was granted a decree on her cross-complaint, charging cruelty. Susan W. Worthington was granted a decree of separation from Robert Worthington on the grounds of infidelity. Jennie Deer wanted a divorce from Henry Deer; the latter also wanted a decree and filed a cross-complaint. He admitted he wanted the divorce to get married again, but he got the decree. Belle Bucy was granted a divorce from Leander Bucy, on the grounds of abandonment.
In the Circuit Court Emelie Kelpin was
divorced from Otto C. Kelpin, who she
said had knocked her down and otherwise maitreated her. Mattie Owens yesterday began suit to

obtain a divorce from Joseph Owens, alleging abandonment. She says that four weeks after their marriage her husband abandoned her, and she has not since seen or heard of him except at one time, when she was told that he was in prison in Cin-

Delivery Bonds Agreed Upon. Judge Woods, of the United States Circuit Court, yesterday made an order in the litigation arising from the opposition of the railroads of the State to the new tax law. The order was based upon an agreement entered into by the railroad companies and the county treasurers interested, whereby, if levies are made the company will issue delivery bonds, which shall become effective and valid only upon the determination of the suit. If the companies win, the bonds are to be canceled; if the counties win, the companies shall perform the stipulations of the bonds.

For Illegal Voting.

Simon Stalcup was arrested yesterday, at Vincennes, by Deputy United States Marshal Mathers on a grand jury warrant, charging him with illegal voting. In default of \$500 bond he was committed to jail. Thomas Taggart, chairman of his party committee, was induced to sign the bond in the afternoon and the prisoner was released.

Permitted to Borrow.

Judge Brown, yesterday afternoon, granted the petition of Harry L. Smith, s trustee for Mercy Murry & Co., for permission to borrow money to pay off taxes and other claims against the trust. He was authorized to borrow \$1,000.

CITY NEWS NOTES.

A gas-stove explosion in the photograph gallery of Marceau & Power yesterday afternoon caused a loss of \$50. Queen Esther Auxiliary will meet with Mrs. James Hawkins, No. 112 Highland Place, Friday afternoon, Dec. 30.

The Montani Bros.' orchestra furnished the music for Mrs. Wiley's party at the Propylaum last Friday evening, not Hart's, as stated in yesterday's Journal. One of the engineers at the New York

store was scalded about the face and hands by the bursting of a steam pipe on the fifth floor, upon which he was working yester-day morning. John Shea, the Panbandle section boss injured in the accident in the eastern

yards Friday morning, had his injured arm amputated by Dr. Marsee, and he will probably recover. There will be a citizens' meeting Tues-day evening at Pool's, corner Illinois and

Twenty-second street, to devise means for having some fire protection for the north side of Fall creek. The certificate of appointment by the County Commissioners of Jay county, of Jacob Linkhauer as sherift to succeed S. A. D. Gillum, deceased, was yesterday filed with the Secretary of State.

Lewis Tubbe, residing on North East street, while attempting to board an electric car on Massachusetts avenue yesterday, was thrown to the ground, and his foot, falling across the track, was badly

Articles of incorporation were yesterday filed with the Secretary of State as follows: Stanford Veterinary College, Indianapolis: capital stock, \$10,000. American Window-glass Company, Gas City; capital stock, \$100,000. Brazil Rapid-transit Company; capital stock, \$75,000.

The treasurers of the following counties yesterday made settlements with the Auditor of State, as follows: Hendricks paid in \$26,001.81; reserved for schools, \$13,555.94; Carroll paid in \$23,755.61, reserved for schools, \$12,474.18; White paid in \$19,648.50; reserved for schools, \$9,965,15.

A very pleasing incident of the holiday season was the presentation of two elegant willow rockers to Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Wells. The presentation address was made by Mr. William Hester on behalf of the employes of the White Sewing Machine Company, of which Mr. Wells is manager for this city. A return of marriage made to the county clerk in the marriage of John C. Harris, of Shelbyville, and Miss Sailie C. Haverstick, of this city, puts on record the first instance in this county of a marriage cere-mony being performed by a woman. The woman who has the distinction of being alone in this respect is the Rev. Mrs. Min-

nie Thorne.

Found Dead in Bed. Coroner Beck was called to Allisonville vesterday to investigate the sudden death of an old soldier named Shalleross. The man, who was about sixty-five years of age, lived alone on the farm of Mr. Whitsell, about a mile north of Allisonville. He had been found dead in his bed by persons living in the vicinity. The coroner found that death was due to hemorrhage of the

Stole a Big Christmas Dinner, Latayette Franklynn, colored, spent Christmas eve in the police station because of his attempt to obtain a turkey dinner without paying therefor. Friday night he stole four turkeys from a coop in the rear of Nierman & Balz's grocery, 527 North Illinois street and was arrested yesterday afternoon by detectives Thornton and Mo-

Died in Freedom. Curtis Arbuckle, who was pardoned by Governor Chase a few weeks ago, has since died at his home in Kokomo. The pardon, for which Governor Chase was severely censured by the Sentinel, was granted be-

cause of the man's dying condition. A Real Mean Trick,

Drake's Magazine. They were talking of the vanity of women, and one of the few ladies present undertook a defense. "Of course," she said. "I admit that women are vain, and men are not. Why," she added, with a glace around, "the necktie of the handsoment man in the room is even now up the back of his collar." And then she smiled-for every man pres-

SANTA CLAUS'S BEST YEAR

Never Before in Indianapolis Was the Shopping Festival So Big an Affair.

Crush of People in the Stores and at the Sta tion-Celebrations at the Public Institutions and Churches.

NE of the grandest shopping festivals this city an end last night. Inand successful effort to outdo themselves. Every store in the city has enjoyed an unusually large amount of patronage. Yesterday it bordered upon the impossible to make a purchase in the larger stores. All of them

were packed to the doors long before the afternoon had half passed, and a crowd surged around the doors, pushing and elbowing their way with difficulty through the jam of humanity. It was every body's day, and everybody that was able to get out and had 5 cents to spend, did so. A world of toys, knickknacks, jewelry, wearing apparel, and a hundred et ceteras for the ornamentation of home, comfort of men and women, or amusement of children, were displayed in the show-windows, on counters, in wagons shoulder of some thriving street mer-

one another and fumbled toys, examined jewelry with a critical eye, and finally purchased upon the "say so" of the salesman. Big men carried little bundles and little men carried big bundles; but every pedestrian had a bundle, and some of them dozens of packages of all sizes and shapes. It has been made ap-parent that Indianapolitans do not believe that a Christmas present, to be acceptable, must be something absolutely useless to The furniture stores sent

out upon the order of Santa Claus, the music stores sent planos, ordered by the good old man to several bright homes, and from the large trade at the hat stores it is evident that a number of citizens will awake this morning to find a new piece of head-gear in the place of the old article which they have looked at wonderingly for days past trying to persuade themselves it would be "just as good as new if it was ironed."

Down at the Union Station was a jam al afternoon, visitors coming and going.

Nothing more than the usual holiday travel
had been anticipated, but the low rates
gave a boom to travel and it reached neargave a boom to travel and it reached nearly State-fair-days proportions in numbers of passengers handled, while travel between all points was heavy. Coming to Indianapolis and going out of the city such a business was never known. The morning trains, both local and through, came in with every coach, even to its aisles, crowded, and for hours in the afternoon five men were kept busy at the Union Station office selling tickets, and then many had to trust to paying their fares on the trains or get left. Mr. Donough has been in this ticket office twenty-five or more years, and he says he never saw anything like it, and the roads which had no care except those on the trains were had no cars except those on the trains were borrowing cars from the Vandalia, the Big Four and Lake Eric & Western and Pennsylvania lines, and last night the yards were well cleared of every passenger coach which could be commanded. The rush tomorrow bids fair to be equally as great.

At Public Institutions. The State not only beneficently provides for its unfortunate classes in hospitals, schools of training and various sorts of homes, but also seeks to make these institutions places of as much enjoyment as possible at the festival and holiday seasons. No dependent of the State, who is capable of appreciating the season of good will, peace and love which outerop on Christmas, will to-day be neglected. The hospitals for the insane, the school for the feeble-minded and the home for the soldiers' orphans will perhaps to-day have extra provisions of enjoyment, which is not paid for by the State. At the Central hospital, in this city, Dr. Wright has purchased, by means of a contributed fund, a present for each one of the 1,500 patients, besides a sack of candy. These will be distributed this morning. The diningrooms have been embellished by large, bespangled Christmas trees. There will be some special music at the Sunday-school this morning, and an appropriate religious service will be enjoyed during the afternoon, when Rev. Mr. Hendrickson will preach. The patients will be given their weekly dance to-morrow night. of appreciating the season of good will,

weekly dance to-morrow night.

Those upon whom the State has laid its punitive or corrective hand will not be neglected. The boys and girls in the reformatories and the men and women in the prisons, will have a variation in the prison diet and will eat turkey as good as that which graces the table of the law-abiding. prosperous citizen. This is the day for the harmonies of earthly goodness, not the time or occasion of retributive harshness. It is the day that distinguishes our civiliza-

tion from all others preceding. county poor-farm. At noon a sumptuous dinner will be served at which roast pork and mince pie will be the king and queen, with a host of subjects, and at which Superintendent Yeager and all of his big family will attend. In the afternoon services will be held in the chapel. Monday will also be observed, the tumates being allowed to do as they please for the day. with no especial programme being laid out. "They are all too old to dance, or we would let them," said Superintendent Yeager. Gifts will be distributed at 8 o'clock this morning to the pupils of the Blind Asylum. and at noon the usual Christmas dinner will be served, which will complete the regular plans for the day. Most of the

pupils are members of the various city Sunday-schools and will attend their festivities on Monday as they already have done last night and during the week. There will be no regular Christmas holidays, but all of the pupils who have so destred have been allowed to go home.
Two Christmas trees shone resplendent with candles and presents at the Deaf and Dumb Institute, last night, and the hearts of the inmates were made full of Christmas cheer. This noon the regulation turkey and cranberry sauce will do duty at

the festive board. Services will be held during the day, and Monday will be observed as a holiday. Christmas will be observed at the Orphans' Home with the usual religious exercises to-day, and to-morrow will occur the distribution of cards and presents. The dinner of to-day will consist of the usual holiday fare. Superintendent Edenharter will observe

Christmas at the City Hospital in a

way to appeal to his patients' appe-tites, if nothing more. The dinner will be the best which can be procured, and the day will be spent in general festivities. Those of the male patients who are able to smoke will be given cigars, and a round of hot toddy will be given to warm the cockles of their nearts. Midnight mass will be celebrated at St. Vincent's Hospital, at which all patients who are able are expected to attend. During the day a sumptuous dinner will be served, and there will be other little ob-

servances of the day. The prisoners at the work-house will be allowed to join in the general rejoicing of this "the happiest time in all of the year." There will be Christmas services to-day. and the usual Christmas dinner. To-mor-row they will be allowed the freedom of the cells and a day in which to do just as they

The usual programme will be carried out at the Female Reformatory, consisting of religious exercises, a Christmas tree, and a

Girls' Industrial School, One of the most deserving practical charities in the city is the Girls' Industrial School, in which a number of ladies are engaged in teaching little girls, the children of poor parents, how to sew and make their own clothes. The school has been in operation about four years, and meets

Hall. The children take great interest in the work, and many of them have made very gratifying progress, not only in sewing, but in neatness and deportment. The school now has upwards of sixty teachers and more than three hundred pupils. The work is entirely gratuitous on the part of the teachers, who not only give their time and services, but an annual contribution besides, to the support of the school. Their Christmas celebration will be held at Tab-ernacle Church on the afternoon of Tuesday, 27th inst.

Additional Church Programmes. The morning services at the Meridianstreet Methodist Church will be as follows: "The Strain Upraise" (Buck), quartet; "The Star of Bethlehem" (Schnecker), Miss Sadie ever witnessed came to Walker; "Christmas" (Shelly), harp accompaniment by Guiseppe Marone, quartet. dianapolitans seem to The evening: "The Birthday of a King" have made a strenuous (Neidlinger), quartet: violin solo, Miss Lockwood; "Hark! Hark! My Soul" (Shelley), quartet.

ley), quartet.

The morning exercises at the Mayflower Church will be as follows: "Christmas Hymn," (Buck); "The Holy Child," (Shelley); "Sing Unto the Lord a New Song," (Blumenschein), quartet. The following is the programme for the evening: "There were Shepherds," (Buck) quartet; "Song of Praise the Angels Sang," (Shelley) quartet; "A Dream of Bethlehem," (Rodney), Mr. Fowler; violin obligato by Mr. Mannfels; "Calm on the Listening Ear of Night," (Marston), quartet: "It Came Upon a Mid-(Marston), quartet; "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear." (Gilchrist), quartet; "Romance," (Schenut), Mr. Mannfeld; "Bethlehem" (H. N. Bartlett), quartet.

At the Sixth Presbyterian Church this evening, "The Story of Emmanuel" will be given in song by the choir of the church.

Turkeys for Factory Employes. One of the oldest manufacturers in the city remarked last evening that the best evidence that it had been a prosperous year with a majority of the manufacturers upon the street, or a basket hung from the | was the generous manner in which they had treated their employes in the matter chart. And a world of people jos- of Chritmas gifts. When the manufacsnot hear of every employe, who had a family to support, receiving a fine turkey and the remembering of single men in some other manner, as was the case yesterday. One of the poultry packers remarked that in the years he had been in business here he had never known so many dressed turkeys sold to the manufacturers for their employes. Many of the orders ranged from 100 to 250 turkeys.

> Postoffice Force Overloaded. The postoffice force, as usual, is exceedingly busy. The regular carriers are now accompanied by assistants who deliver the packages. "Our business grows much larger every year," said Postmaster Thompson yesterday. "We are able to tell by the sale of stamps. I should judge from the form and shape of mail packages that a better class of presents has been sent through the mails than heretofore. The people, seemingly, have been prosperous during the year."

Substantial Presents from Mr. Reibold. It will be a "merry Christmas" for the

Board of Trade block yesterday made up purse of \$10 for John Entwistle, janitor o the building. The presentation speech was made by Mr. Baile Campbell. The donee was unable to respond on account of salt water. Charles Wilson, the agreeable young elevator attendant, was then called in, and was presented with a five-dollar bill. His gratitude was expressed in a ook, not in words.

Oysters for Motormen. The street-car motormen and conductors living in North Indianapolis were presented with a quart of oysters and two pounds of crackers by their neighborhood grocer, Mayhew. Retail grocers generally presented regular patrons with some acpeptable present.

Judge Baldwin's Figures and So Forth.

To the Editor of the Indianapolis Journal I do not wish to even seem to controver the figures of Judge Baldwin, which show to his satisfaction that a very insignificant portion of the wealth of the country, in the hands of the many poor.pays nearly all the taxes, but there is a correlative fact to be considered. The very, very poor, do the bulk of the voting, also. In the summer of bulk of the voting, also. In the summer of 1890, after the city tax duplicate of 1888 had been laid aside as exhausted. I spent a week, aided by clerks in the auditor's and treasurer's offices, to ascertain how many voters in the city were actual tax-payers. The result was a surprise. I found that the number of voters at the November election of 1888 exceeded twice the number of voting tax-payers by 1,500, and among those who paid not a cent of taxes were several officers, including two councilmen. Of course this majority is composed of the very, very poor; men who have no property to pay taxes upon, else the treasurer would have oppressed them in the interest of the only tolerably poor who are burdened to death with taxes, and whose taxes would be much lighter if every voter paid ever so Christmas will be duly observed at the | little. In considering the recasting of our social system so as to relieve poor men from over-burdens, would it not be well for Judge Baldwin and his co-laborers in reform to consider the fact that, after all, this country is governed by men who pay no taxes at all, and not by that little remnant whoown most of the wealth and pay but a small part of the taxes? T. A. GOODWIN.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 24. Calcimining by Machinery.

Chicago Inter Ocean. The most extensive job of calcimining ever known in the history of the world is now being done at Jackson Park. The work embraces the entire agricultural, manufactures, electricity, horticultural, machinery hall, woman's, fisheries, and mining buildings. Each building will be done in a separate tint prepared expressly for it. One has only to peep into the electricity building to witness the soft tint of light blue now being applied, which will help to make the rough ceiling and walls a scene of beauty and attractiveness. A force of three hundred painters is employed in the color department, their work also being accelerated to a wonderful extent by the aid of twelve painting machines. These machines, it is claimed, are the very first of any kind which have proved sucessful and been brought into general use. One machine requires four men and an engineer to operate it, who, with the aid of a small engine, perform the work of thirty men in the same length of time in covering the surface in this kind of work, and far better than possible were it done by hand.

Dickens's Trifling Occupation.

When Charles Dickens was in Washington he met one morning on the steps of the Capitol a young Congressman from Tenpessee, whom the great novelist had offended by his boorishness. That morning Dickens was in great good humor and full of talk. "I have," said he, "found almost an exact counterpart of Little Nell."

"Little Nell who?" queried the Tennes-sean. Dickens looked him over from head to foot, and from foot to head before he sported out "My Little Nell." "Ob," said the Tennessean. "I didn't

know you had your daughter with you." "I am speaking of the Little Neil of my fiction, sir." returned Dickens, flushing. "Oh." said the imperturbable Tennessean, "you write novels, do you? Don't you consider that a rather trifling occupation for a grown-up man?" Dickens snorted like a quarter-horse, and hurried down the avenue.

A Motto. "That was a mighty mean trick Skimp's sisters played on him. You know he has just become the father of triplets."

"Well, they embroidered a big motto and sent it to him." "What was the motto!" ammonia, no signi, no signification. I ent had put his hand up behind his neck. I every Saturday afternoon in Tombinson I "Insatiate monster, was not one enough?" | haps the most ingenious is the one which I centuries old.

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ALL AMONG THE WHEELMEN

Zig-Zag Club Will Have a Novel Celebration of Christmas To-Day.

Next Summer's L. A. W. Meet at Fort Wayne -Personal Notes and Gossip Among Cycling Devotees.

Christmas will not be more duly celebrated elsewhere than it will be at the Zig-zag Cycling Club. Bicycling in midwinter, as a practical sport, is little more than a memory of the summer before, and its devotees are forced to seek entertainment in other chanels. Accordingly, this afternoon a huge Christmas tree will be set in the center of the reception parlor, trimmed and decorated with all the art known to the masouline mind; around it will ![be gathered the club members with all of the eager expectancy of a juvenile who has not yet learned that Santa Claus is an illusion. Each member is expected to make each other one a present, the cost of each being limited to 10 cents. These will be hung on the tree, and as they are told off one by one each recipient is to be made to respond with a speech of acknowledgment. Refusal means a good deal. Bicycle riders are not a weak-limbed class as a rule, and with a heavy boot attached to a nether end there is a might which must prevail. Other preparations are also being made for this "happiest time in all of the year." New furniture has been purchased for the rooms in the shape of chairs, tables, divans, et cetera; the home trainer has been gladdened with a drop of oil, the bass notes of the piano have been tuned in sweet accord with the upper tier, and a sort of an "O-bewith the upper tier, and a sort of an "O-bejoyful!" feeling hangs over all. The einch
tournament is in full blast, and but a few
games remain to be played. Each of the
twenty contestants is to play a game with

the others, and the winner to receive a tro-phy of his skill.

The New Year's run is still the topic of discussion, and the entries for it are num-erous. The run will doubtless be replete with incidents dear to the story-teller's "Birdie" Munger, in the interest of a Chicago wheel, was in the city last week,

Munger is one of the speediest men of the West, and he is also a "chappie" of the first water. His anglomaniae manners failed to create the expected impression on the Indianapolis public, and his lament was about as follows. He said to Harry Hearsey: "Do you like this town?"

"Yes," was the reply.
"Well, you can have it. I'm dead bored, ye know," was Birdie's reply.

Hal Greenwood, of Peoria, Ill., who has the title of the champion hill-climber of the world, related an incident while here last week, which is indicative of the assiduity which the bicycle business is con-

A firm in Frankfort recently sent out notices to various bicycle-dealers, informing them that they expected to go into the business soon, and saying that they would be pleased to have prices and samples. It was but a day or so after that one of the firm came down to his place of business and found eight men waiting for him. He soon learned that they were traveling salesmen for bicycle houses, and it was not long until he had them rending each other as to prices, and the result was that he had to turn them all out.

L. D. Munger, Chicago: Hal Greenwood, Peoria; M. Moore. Chicago: L. H. Bill, Cleveland; M. Greenbaum, Chicago; Chas. Fennel, Frankfort, and Frank Henderson, Kokomo, were some of the 'cycle men in town last week.

The Fort Wayne 'Cycling Club, to whose energy it is due that the L. A. W. meet is to be held at that place the coming summer, has already begun preparations for 11. It is composed of young men of unbounded pluck, and, spurred on by the incentive of a first effort, propose to make it the most successful in the history of the State. It is almost entirely settled that one of the wealthy men of the city will build a new track for the occasion, which will be an ideal recips one and one close to the cert ideal racing one, and one close to the center of town. Active preparations will begin with the first of the year, and no labor will be spared for its good ending. Indianapolis will send a large delegation.

Arthur Taylor, a Chicago dealer in cycles, was in the city last week on his wedding tour. His bride was Miss Grace Douglass, well known to Indianapolis so-

The national convention of the L. A. W. is to be held in Cleveland in February, and will be the largest ever held in the organization. It is expected that some more definite racing rules will be enacted. The Christmas numbers of cycling papers

ings, a Chicago paper, is particularly deserving of mention. There have been quite a number of home trainers invented for bicyclists, but per-

are all handsome editions, of voluminous

space and picturesque coloring. The Bear-

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